



Week of April 1 – April 7, 2009

Air Force Team of the Year

Each year, the Air Force Association, working with major command level command chief master sergeants and the Office of the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, selects a specific Air Force career field for recognition as the Air Force Team of the Year.

This year's team of the year are the Airmen of Air Force Specialty Code 3E8X1, Explosive Ordnance Disposal.

The individual members selected to represent the chosen career field are professionals who clearly display superior technical expertise, attract the praise of their superiors and provide leadership and inspiration to others.

The following individuals are representing the EOD career field this year:

Senior Master Sgt. Gus Hamilton III
Technical Sgt. Heath T. Tempel
Staff Sgt. Phillip M. Dyer
Senior Airman Cooper W. Gibson
Senior Airman Jasmine M. Nakayama

These five Airmen will represent their profession in a presentation ceremony in Washington, D.C. While in D.C., the Airmen tour the Capitol and other sites, meet senior Air Force and Congressional leaders, and accept awards on behalf of their career field at a ceremony hosted by the AFA. This year's ceremony is scheduled for April 6, 2009 at the Air Force Memorial in Washington, D.C.

In the recent past, the following career fields have been recognized as the team of the year: Air Force Office of Special Investigations, Expeditionary Medics, Services, Vehicle Operators, and Command and Control.

"Every Airman can be proud of our fellow warriors in the EOD community and the tremendous job they are doing around the globe," said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rodney J. McKinley. "Their dedication, skill, and determination are securing and protecting the lives of fellow Airmen, Marines, Soldiers, Sailors, and Coalition forces everyday."

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